

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1 and 7.

Please add the following claims:

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~~--34. A composition comprising at least one isolated protein or part of a isolated protein selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:2 (VanH), SEQ ID NO:4 (VanA), SEQ ID NO:6 (VanX), SEQ ID NO:25 (VanC); any protein or part of a protein recognized by the antibodies directed against VanH, VanA, VanX, or VanC; and any protein or part of a protein encoded by a sequence hybridizing with one nucleotide sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:8, SEQ ID NO:9, SEQ ID NO:10, SEQ ID NO:7, SEQ ID NO:9, and SEQ ID NO:10.~~

35. A purified protein comprising the sequence in SEQ ID NO:4 (VanA), or SEQ ID NO:25 (VanC).--

REMARKS

Claims 29-35 are active in the present application. The claims and specification have been amended for clarity and to reflect the correct SEQ ID NO designation. Support for Claims 34 and 35 is found in Claim 1, Claim 7, the Sequence Listing filed July 29, 1999 and the specification as originally filed. No new matter is added.

The Office is requiring election of one sequence selected from the group consisting of: SEQ ID NO:2 (VanH), SEQ ID NO:6 (VanX), SEQ ID NO:8 (VanC), SEQ ID NO:12 (VanR), SEQ ID NO:14 (VanS), SEQ ID NO: 19 (transposase), SEQ ID NO:21 (resolvase), SEQ ID NO:23 (VanY) and SEQ ID NO:25 (VanZ) (Page 2, paragraph 1 of the Official Action).

Applicants elect, with traverse, the species SEQ ID NO:2 (VanH) for initial